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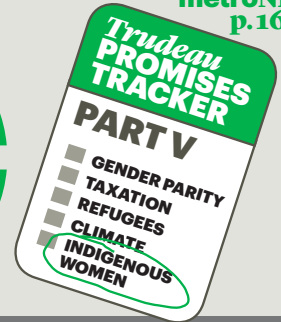
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Nova Star out, Bay Ferries wins bid for Maine route

TRANSPORTATION

Province picks new preferred operator out of 4 proposals



Zane Woodford
Metro | Halifax

Nova Star Ferries is out and Bay Ferries appears to be in, but exactly how much taxpayer money will be spent on the Yarmouth to Maine ferry in 2016 is still unknown.

The government announced Thursday it had picked Bay Ferries as its preferred candidate out of four proposals.

"It fundamentally came down to their experience, their expertise, their understanding of this market," transportation minister Geoff MacLellan said at a press conference Thursday.

Bay Ferries had operated the Cat Ferry that used to run between Yarmouth and Bar Harbor, Maine till the government of the day cut its subsidy.

"Not only have they operated here, but they've succeeded here," MacLellan said.

But how much taxpayer money they'll need in order to succeed this time around has yet to be determined.

The government is set to enter into contract negotia-



The Nova Star ferry coming into Yarmouth. ANDREW VAUGHAN/THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

tions with Bay Ferries over the next 45 days. By the end of that time period, the operator will have had to identify a vessel to make the crossing, but that's it — their business plan and the completed contract have no actual timeline.

MacLellan was clear, though,

that there will be a ferry running between Yarmouth and Maine next year, and that Bay Ferries is ready to make it happen.

"They don't think this is going to be an easy operation to get up and running and have extreme success early, but they

think it can work ... and they're committed to it," he said.

As for Nova Star Ferries, who had operated the crossing for the past two years, their relationship with the government is over.

"I'm not sure what the details of what their overhead or any



Geoff MacLellan
ZANE WOODFORD/METRO

+ RIDERSHIP

Geoff MacLellan said he's confident the "serious challenges" the government had with Nova Star Ferries won't be repeated. He said ridership numbers will grow, and the government subsidy for the ferry will shrink.

remaining costs will be, but they're certainly theirs to address," MacLellan said.

That overhead would include the Nova Star ferry itself. Whether that vessel could be used for the crossing next year, MacLellan could neither confirm nor deny, saying that was up to Bay Ferries.

RETAIL

Sobeys buys Pete's



Philip Croucher
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Pete's Fine Foods has been sold to Sobeys.

In a release Thursday evening, Sobeys Capital Inc. announced that it had purchased Pete Luckett's grocery retail and its wholesale business, Pete's Fine Foods.

The transaction includes both of Pete's retail locations in Halifax and Bedford.

"Sobeys is an ideal match, truly an Atlantic Canadian success story, built on the same entrepreneurial spirit as Pete's," Luckett said in a statement. "It's the right time for me to transition from the grocery industry into the winery business."

The release says Sobeys will continue to operate the two stores under the Pete's Fine Foods brand, and Luckett is staying on a consulting capacity.

"With this agreement, customers can enjoy peace-of-mind knowing that the stores will continue to prosper and expand while offering that same extraordinary shopping experience. The 'Frootique' legacy will live on and prosper," Luckett said.

"Pete has instilled a unique culture in his stores and a food offer that resonates with his customers. We don't want to change that," says Peter Doucette, general manager of Sobeys Atlantic.

The deal is expected to close on Monday, with no layoffs expected.



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Starfish Properties developer Louis Reznick speaks next to a scale model of The Roy at the building's presentation centre on Thursday. JEFF HARPER/METRO

New condos ritzy, 'exclusive'

ROY BUILDING

Features indoor pool, chef-designed kitchen



Haley Ryan
Metro | Halifax

Swimming pools, cabanas and car elevators — the condo going up in the old Roy Building location will be “the only unique building” in Halifax, the developer says.

The Roy at 1657 Barrington Street is under construction with an opening date set for spring 2017, and has more than 20 per cent of the 112 units sold so far, Louis Reznick of Starfish Properties told reporters Thursday.

“The building will be very secure, very exclusive, very boutiquey,” Reznick said, standing next to The Roy’s new décor suite, which show-

cases what spaces like the bathroom, den, bedroom and kitchen look like in the units.

A hanging fireplace surrounded by a low sofa was an example of a lounge on the amenities floor, Reznick said, which will also have a view overlooking the harbour and features like an indoor pool, chef-designed kitchen, guest suite, board room, movie theatre room, and yoga studio.

“Even in Toronto the only place you get an amenities floor like that is Four Seasons,” Reznick said.

Reznick said they’ve been “tweaking” the layout of the units since some buyers wanted smaller one-bedrooms, about 600 square feet, while others wanted to combine two or three units into one, turning the original 140-unit count into 112 units.

“It is the only unique building in the city, and you will not be able to replicate it in the downtown,” Reznick said.



This one is the most exciting and definitely the most exclusive and special. Louis Reznick

Those living in The Roy will also have their cars taken from the Granville Street entrance to above-ground parking via two-car elevators, Reznick said.

There will be “nobody driving up ramps,” Reznick said, and condo owners can also let a valet park their car.

Hot and cold storage means people could have Pete’s Frootique deliver groceries kept fresh until they get home, Reznick said, and takeout pizza can stay hot.

A model of the 23-floor building shows an outdoor cabana with greenery that residents can use in the summer, said Mariana Cowan with The Roy’s sales team.

Prices range from \$306,000 for about 600 square feet to two-bedroom units at 750 square feet and larger that go

up to \$1.4-million depending on the floor, plus four penthouses, Cowan said.

“We won’t have the quantity of buyers, we’ll have the quality buyers,” Cowan said.

“It’s just not the normal condo being built in Halifax today.”

The Roy will also have commercial space on its Barrington and Granville sides, and Reznick said he’s had interest from tenants wanting to be a part of what’s becoming the “centre ice” of downtown.

+ HIGHLIGHTS

Yoga studio, outdoor cabana, car elevator, concierge, indoor pool, relaxation centre.



One of the washrooms from The Roy. JEFF HARPER/METRO



A woman checks out the Décor Model Suite of The Roy on Thursday. JEFF HARPER/METRO



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First female statue in city underway

WOMAN ON THE WATERFRONT

City councillor says concept is long overdue



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Marjorie Lindsay was still in high school when the Second World War broke out.

The 90-year-old recalls that practically overnight, her sleepy hometown of Halifax transformed into a lively port city, with ships crowding the Bedford Basin and all sorts of servicemen bustling about in the streets.

"Ships came with young men, old men, little men, short men, tall men. And they were handsome," Lindsay joked to a crowd of dozens gathered at City Hall on Thursday.

"It really wasn't that bad a world."

Returning to those memories brought as much joy to her as being present for the launch of a new fundraising program to erect a monument,



Marjorie Lindsay, a WWII volunteer, is overjoyed at the launch of a new fundraising program to erect a monument honouring the contributions of women during the Second World War. JEFF HARPER/METRO

honouring the volunteer work of women during the Second World War.

Surprisingly, such a statue would be the first of an actual woman in the municipality.

"Let's face it," Lindsay said.

"Women somehow or another always took a back seat

It's all about making women's contribution visible. We know it's there. We know women have done a tremendous amount of work throughout the ages.

Coun. Jennifer Watts

and the young men sort of took over."

Called the A Woman on the Waterfront program, planning for the future monument began with the Halifax Women's History Society, whose members wanted to tell the untold story of the thou-

sands of hours of volunteer work done by wartime women.

"We tend to talk about the heroics of men, so we're more interested in the military than in the social side of the story," the society's chair Janet Guildford said Thursday.

She expects the monument to cost upwards of \$750,000, with nearly \$150,000 already raised through private donations.

She added the project would begin to close the gender imbalance that currently exists within the collection of public art in city.

"It's kind of shocking actually when you think about it," Coun. Jennifer Watts said afterwards.

Watts believes the new statue is a step in the right direction and will grant more visibility to women's history, pointing to other opportunities, such as the upcoming 100th anniversary commemoration of the Halifax Explosion to share more of women's untold stories.

"There's always a woman's story in an event. And so how do we bring that forward and recognize that?"

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CONCERT HEDLEY LEAPS INTO HALIFAX APRIL 2016 It was announced Thursday that Hedley will perform at the Scotiabank Centre on April 12 as part of a national tour. Chart-topping pop singer Carly Rae Jepsen will be a special guest. Tickets go on sale Friday, Nov. 6 at 10 a.m. through Ticket Atlantic. JEFF HARPER/METRO

LAWRENCETOWN

Rural town faces new tower bid

Residents in rural Halifax are being faced with a proposal from Bell Aliant to build a new 75-metre communication tower.

The plan consists of the company seeking to build a new tower and equipment shelter on Three Fathom Har-

bour Road in Three Fathom Harbour.

According to the Halifax website, the proposed tower would be located approximately 200 metres away from any residential property, with access to the equipment shelter blocked off by a chain-link

fence and locked gate.

Following a public meeting held on Thursday, the city has said planning staff will use the feedback to inform a report that will go before Harbour East Marine Drive Community Council.

METRO

'Sleepwatcher' won't live in city

PAROLE

Sinclair to stay in rural house without leave until Feb. 2017



Haley Ryan
Metro | Halifax

Police have confirmed the man dubbed the "Sleepwatcher" will not be living in Halifax while on parole.

On Thursday, Barry Edward Sinclair was released on conditional parole nearly three years after he was sentenced for breaking into a Halifax apartment and watching women sleep.

According to a Parole Board of Canada decision, Sinclair must reside in a halfway house with no leave privileges until his sentence is up in February 2017.

Theresa Rath, Halifax



Halifax police say Barry Edward Sinclair will not serve his conditional parole in this jurisdiction. METRO FILE

Regional Police spokeswoman, said local police must be notified when an offender is released on parole in the area, and they have not received anything from the parole board.

"We would have been advised accordingly," Rath said. "He will not be coming to our jurisdiction."

The parole board said Thursday they could not comment on where Sinclair will be placed.

In February 2013, Sinclair was sentenced to five years in prison but was granted a year for time already served, reducing it to four years.

The Dartmouth man accused of several crimes related to the south-end Halifax "Sleepwatcher" cases was originally charged with breaking into two apartments in September 2011. He was found guilty last November on one count, and not guilty on the other.

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HEALTHCARE

Minister satisfied with case of man, 25, who left care facility

Nova Scotia's minister of Community Services says she's satisfied with the care her department provided a man with intellectual disabilities who hasn't contacted his parents since leaving a care facility in the Annapolis Valley two weeks ago.

Joanne Bernard says she's reviewed the case of 25-year-old Landon Webb and has not found any problems with how he or his family were dealt with.

"I have reviewed the case and am quite satisfied with the process that has unfolded and the work that has been done with the family," she said on Thursday after a cabinet meeting.

Darrell and Brenda Webb said Wednesday at a news conference that they're worried about the health of their son and they are hoping he calls them soon.

Webb hasn't been seen since he left the Kings Regional Rehabilitation Centre, after learning the facility planned to discharge him.

The facility says Webb was

permitted to leave, and it discharged him because he hadn't been successful in their programs.

Webb's parents, who are Landon's legal guardians, say he needed a supervised care plan before being dis-

charged, and the Department of Community Services didn't provide them with adequate options.

Police say they are continuing to look for Landon Webb in Pictou and Kings Counties.

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Landon Webb, 25, hasn't been seen since leaving a care facility two weeks ago. JEFF HARPER/METRO



Premier Stephen McNeil says medical residents' request for contract arbitration is a signal that they don't want to bargain with the province. JEFF HARPER/METRO

Wage talks with residents stalled

DOCTORS

Premier won't say whether he'll legislate or arbitrate

A contract impasse with medical residents drew criticism from Nova Scotia's premier, as Stephen McNeil refused to say definitively whether his government would legislate rather than go through arbitration.

The government issued a news release ahead of its weekly cabinet meeting on Thursday saying McNeil was disappointed that Maritime Resident Doctors, the association for medical residents, requested arbitration in wage talks.

The release said the move came two weeks ahead of a discussion of the government's wage proposal at the bargaining table.

McNeil later explained his unhappiness at the turn of events.

"They in essence sent a sig-

nal that we don't want to go to the bargaining table," said McNeil. "That's not meaningful collective bargaining, that's looking for arbitration off the top."

McNeil said the government wants to provide wage increases to workers, but that has to be done within guidelines established for public sector talks in September. That includes five-year deals with union sugges-

"It's my hope that they will see the fact that they should come back to the table," McNeil said.

But in a news release Maritime Resident Doctors said it viewed the request for arbitration as the inevitable end to a nearly two-year process.

The association said resident physicians have been without a contract since June 30, 2014, and added that negotiations had stalled since an exchange of offers in May.

"We have been working diligently with an expired contract for over a year in good faith that we would be able to negotiate fairly," said association president Dr. J.P. King.

The association, which represents 550 resident physicians training at Dalhousie University who work at hospitals in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, said the province offered no wage increase over three years followed by an increase of one per cent in years four and five of a proposed deal.

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The amount a first-year resident in the Maritimes currently makes, according to Maritime Resident Doctors.

tions for program savings that can be used for wage increases.

The premier was asked whether he would come up with legislation in order to avoid arbitration, a process he said would prove too costly.

ANIMAL RIGHTS

Big crowd expected to protest moose hunt in Cape Breton

Local hunting guide Dennis Day expects a huge crowd for Saturday's protest against a proposed Mi'kmaq moose harvest in the Cape Breton Highlands National Park.

"I think I'm going to have a lot of people with me that don't want a hunt," Day said.

"I'd like to see the park

(Parks Canada) come to their senses, see how many people are against it, and cancel it.

"I'm confident that there is going to be a good turnout."

Parks Canada has set aside a 20-square kilometre area on North Mountain for the hunt, which is tentatively scheduled for two weeks in early Nov-

ember.

Day, who operates Top Gun Outfitters, argues that the moose population on North Mountain is currently in decline.

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SECURITY

Online threat leads to school lockdown

A lockdown over an anonymous online threat took place Thursday at a Nova Scotia university.

Cape Breton police said they responded to Cape Breton University around 10:45 a.m. after campus security officials reported a social media post that indicated a gun threat.

Police say they conducted a complete search of the university and found no evidence of any weapon.



WIKIMEDIA COMMONS

The university's website stated that students and faculty returned to normal operations

just after 1 p.m.

A spokesperson for Cape Breton Regional Police said

officers were on campus during the brief lockdown to help campus security officials.

The university said on its website that the threatening post appeared on Yik Yak, an app allowing people to send anonymous messages to other app users within an eight-kilometre radius.

Police continue to investigate the threat and remained on campus for the rest of the day. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Teacher Craig Kelloway had just moved to a new house in Calgary when he was stabbed to death in May 2013. TC MEDIA

Verdict hits N.S. parents

COURTS 'The justice system is a mockery,' Kelloway says

Harvey Kelloway of Glace Bay and his wife, Monica, say their hearts are broken after a painful, two-year wait for justice for their son.

In a Calgary court on Wednesday, Justice Robert Hall found Nicholas Rasberry, 32, guilty of manslaughter in the stabbing death of Craig Kelloway, 31. Rasberry had been originally charged with second-degree murder.

"We can't believe it — the justice system is a mockery," Harvey Kelloway said. "He got away with murder."

He said they plan to contact the Calgary prosecutor involved in the case, as well as Cape Breton-Canso MP Rodger Cuzner and the federal justice minister about having the verdict appealed.

Kelloway said regardless of the verdict, their lives have changed forever. "My son Craig got the death penalty and the Kelloway family got life in prison with no parole."

Kelloway, a retired police of-

ficer who served with the Cape Breton Regional Police Service and Glace Bay Police Department for 30 years, said his son was stabbed 37 times with three different knives, while Rasberry was unwounded.

"He could have phoned the police or called 911. However, he showed the Jack the Ripper way. My son was totally defenseless."

When Rasberry was granted bail and released from jail, "it broke our hearts," he said. "We couldn't believe he got released after doing that much damage to our son. That put our anxiety and frustration with the justice system way up."

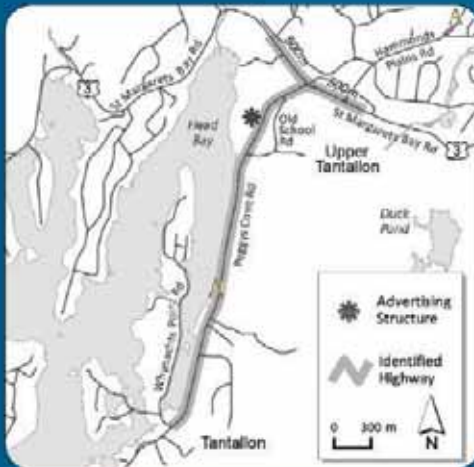
On May 4, 2013, Craig Kelloway, a popular junior high school teacher, had just moved to a new house in Auburn Bay, Calgary. He and his girlfriend spent the evening socializing with Rasberry and his wife, whom they met earlier that day. Hours later, a paramedic found Craig dying on Rasberry's floor, and Rasberry, who never denied killing him, was arrested.

Kelloway said his son suffered stab wounds in his neck, chest, back, armpits and bowel area.

During the two-week trial Rasberry claimed self-defence.

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IN BRIEF

Police stop runaway SUV, seek two suspects

Police are looking for two suspects after a SUV stolen Tuesday collided with an unmarked police vehicle in Dartmouth. Around 11:10 p.m. Tuesday, Halifax Regional Police said, officers watched a SUV drive through a stop sign at the corner of Chappell

and Slayter Streets. The officers pulled it over and the SUV then rolled back into their unmarked police car. The driver and passenger jumped out of the SUV while it was still moving. The officers were able to stop the SUV near Crystal and Pinecrest Drives. Both vehicles sustained minor damage. METRO



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POPULAR CULTURE

The places to see and be seen at Hal-Con this weekend



Haley Ryan
Metro | Halifax

Hal-Con, the city's annual convention of all things sci-fi, gaming and fantasy, is set to bring 7,800 people into downtown Halifax from Friday to Sunday.

Costumed fans and star guests may be some of the highlights, but there's more to this event than many people realize.

Take a look at some other Hal-Con highlights in the World Trade and Convention Centre (WTCC) and ScotiaBank Centre. Check out the full schedule at hal-con.com

Popular guest-spotting: British actor John Rhys-Davies (*Raiders of the Lost Ark*, Gimli from *Lord of the Rings*), Alaina Huffman (*Supernatural*), Amber Benson (*Buffy the Vampire Slayer*), Kirby Morrow (the voice of Goku from *Dragonball Z*) plus many writers and comic book artists.

Artists Alley: Check out artisan work from cre-

ative people in Halifax and visitors from around the world, including jewelry, comic books, graphic art, books, posters and more.

Interactive storytelling: Social media and the evolution of role-playing games

has changed how people are immersed in stories, and this panel looks at how advancements has influenced how stories are told and enjoyed. Friday, 2 to 2:45 p.m., Room 204 and 205, World Trade and Convention Centre.

Stunts: Always wanted to take a tumble on a movie set? Stunt actor Gavin Buhr shows highlights of his career, explains the business and answers questions. Friday, 3 to 3:45 p.m., Room 204 and 205, World Trade and Convention Centre.

For board-game fans:

A timeline of gaming from ancient Chinese board games to modern 3D holographic simulators, and Checkers to Minecraft followed by an open discussion on where gaming could go next. Friday, 3 to 4 p.m., Room 202, World Trade and Convention Centre.

tion Centre.

Trekkie time: Star Trek: The Next Generation guest star John de Lancie, episode writer and novelist Diane Duane and novelist Peter Morwood host a panel on the Star Trek series, novels and the Roddenberry Universe. Friday, 4 to 4:45 p.m. Subway Stage, World Trade and Convention Centre.

The good in the bad: If you've wondered what all the fuss is about with movies like *Sharknado*, *Birdemic* or *The Room* and didn't know there was such a thing as "Z-movies," this discussion is for you. The Beauty of Bad Movies explains what bad movies are, why you should watch them, and how you can enjoy them with friends. Friday, 6 to 6:45 p.m., Room 304, World Trade and Convention Centre.

World Trade and Convention Centre.

Lightsaber battle: Hundreds of lightsabers are on hand for those who want to join Darth Vader himself in an epic battle. Friday, 7 to 8:30 p.m. Granville Mall

Just in time: Catch this comedic panel where fan theory crosses over into the bizarre as details from the *Back to the Future* series are exaggerated to fit conspiracy theories like lizardmen or Illuminati. Saturday, 10 to 10:45 a.m., Room 304, World Trade and Convention Centre.

Unleash your mad scientist: Kids will love this Mad Science event that delivers hands-on science experiments to children and adults alike. Saturday, 11 to 11:45 a.m., Room 204 and 205, World Trade and Convention Centre.

So cheesy: Bigger and feta than last year — take in Cheese Puns 201 while nibbling on cubes of Gouda-ness. Saturday, 12 to 12:45 p.m. Room 305, World Trade and Convention Centre.

Show some skin: See Hal-Con's first tattoo competition with artist Kirt Silver. Enter your tattoos in hero and villain, horror, sci-fi and fantasy categories. Saturday, 12 to 12:45 p.m., Room 204 and 205, World Trade and Convention Centre.

Get groovy: Dance to a DJ on Friday at 9:30 p.m. — midnight at Eastlink Stage, World Trade and Convention Centre, while the Star-gazer Soiree is Saturday 7 to 9:30 p.m. with drinks and food at the Delta Halifax Baronet Ballroom.

A very detailed Batman costume at last year's Hal-Con. JEFF HARPER/METRO

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ENERGY

Permits expected for gas storage

Environmental permits for a new natural-gas storage facility in central Nova Scotia should be issued before the end of the year, the president of Nova Scotia's Heritage Gas Ltd. said Thursday.

Chris Smith said an environmental consultation process involving Alton Natural Gas Storage LP is making good progress. Both companies are subsidiaries of Calgary-based AltaGas.

"They have established great rapport with all the government departments ... and they've established relationships with First Nations," Smith said after an industry briefing in Halifax.

The project has been on hold since late last year when Mi'kmaq protesters complained that Alton had failed to consult with the local native community.

The company, which has insisted wide consultations were held, wants to store natural gas near Stewiacke, N.S., in three underground salt caverns that will be about 1,000 metres underground.

Smith said the caverns are critical to his company's long-term plans. He said the ability to store natural gas in the summer months will help stabilize the province's gas supply and reduce the volatility of market prices.

That will lead to lower prices for consumers, he said.

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Location secured for Halifax's first hospice

HEALTH CARE

Organization trumpets both economic and social benefits



Zane Woodford
Metro | Halifax

Halifax will soon be getting its first palliative-care hospice.

Hospice Halifax announced Thursday it had secured a location and started raising money to open a hospice to provide end-of-life care and family support in the south end.

"Hospice is a home-like environment for people who are facing end of life," Hospice Halifax CEO Wendy Fraser said Thursday.

Fraser said most people would prefer to be in their homes in their dying days, but most of the time, that takes too much of a toll on family members — and those people end up in acute care in hospital.

"Those people would be better served in hospice, where it is a home-like environment, and their family members can spend their final days with them being family members

and not being nurse-maids," she said.

There's an economic benefit to hospice care as well.

Fraser said each hospital bed costs the provincial government about \$1,200, while a hospice bed only costs about \$475, and her organization will be fundraising part of that cost.

While they're still in talks with the Nova Scotia Health Authority about the exact break-

down of operating costs, she believes the health authority will see the benefit.

"We know that the province is supportive and they want to see hospice in Nova Scotia as well," Fraser said.

For now, Fraser's group has already started a capital campaign to raise money to turn two buildings on Franklyn Street into one "modern, up-to-date hospice facility."



HERE COMES THE SUN REMNANTS OF HURRICANE BLOW THROUGH A man shields himself from the rain while crossing Barrington Street on Thursday. Halifax saw some rain and wind from the aftermath of Hurricane Patricia. Some sunshine is expected to return over the weekend. JEFF HARPER/METRO

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Talks to kick off inquiry

Each day this week, Metro is taking an in-depth look at some of the immediate items on prime minister-designate Justin Trudeau's to-do list. Today, we examine his pledge to launch a national inquiry into missing and murdered indigenous women.



Michael Woods
Metro|Ottawa

After years of pressure on the federal government to call an inquiry into missing and murdered indigenous women, the newly elected Liberals have promised one.

Nearly 1,200 indigenous women were murdered or went missing between 1980 and 2012, according to an RCMP report released last year.

Supporters for a national inquiry include the provincial and territorial premiers, aboriginal groups and the United Nations.

The Liberal platform promises to "immediately launch" a national public inquiry, which would "seek recommendations on concrete actions that governments, law enforcement and others can take to solve these crimes and prevent future ones."

At his news conference the day after the election last week, prime minister-designate

nate Justin Trudeau didn't provide a specific timeline for an inquiry but said he wanted to "get moving on this quickly."

Dawn Harvard, president of the Native Women's Association of Canada, said consultations with the necessary people must start right away, but the inquiry itself shouldn't be rushed into.

"The initial process needs to start right away, but that initial process itself can take a significant amount of time just in order to make sure we get it right," Harvard said.

Any successful inquiry requires consultations with aboriginal women and their families, the larger aboriginal leadership and other relevant groups to establish the process and scope of the inquiry, she said. It's particularly important that the families of the victims have a leading role, she said.

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shot at this, and we need to make sure that we have all the key voices being heard at the table to make sure we get as comprehensive a picture as possible."

That process should start as soon as cabinet is named Nov. 4,

when establishing an inquiry will be a priority for the new aboriginal affairs minister.

While in government, the Conservatives resisted calls for a national inquiry, saying there had already been more than 40 studies on the matter and that it is action that is needed.

There are also fears that an inquiry won't necessarily lead to action. The Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples in the 1990s took five years, cost more than \$50 million and the more than 440 recommendations it produced mostly went unheeded.



A vigil takes place in March on Parliament Hill for Loretta Saunders, a young Inuk woman who was murdered in February 2014. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

POLITICS

Harpers' pets also leaving 24 Sussex

Stephen Harper is a goner — and his cats aren't coming back.

The outgoing prime minister has long been known to have a fondness for felines — indeed, prior to being elected in 2006, Harper quipped he was like one himself, because of his many political lives.

And as he prepares to begin anew as a member of the Tory backbench, so too are his cats preparing for a new life of their own.

Stanley and Gypsy — along with Charlie, a pet chinchilla — are all moving out of 24 Sussex Dr. to live with the Harper family at their new permanent digs in Calgary.

What's more, the many foster-animal friends that had been living at the prime minister's official residence in the months before the federal election were all found new homes in the summer.

The Harpers have fostered dozens of cats, as well as a number of other small animals, since moving in nearly a decade ago. Eventually, they devoted an entire upstairs room to the cause.



Ottawa Mayor Jim Watson, left, now-outgoing prime minister Stephen Harper and his wife, Laureen, meet felines at the opening of the Ottawa Humane Society facility in July 2011. FRED CHARTRAND/THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

Some of the animals were eventually adopted by political staffers, others by MPs and cabinet ministers.

Harper's wife Laureen was a prominent volunteer for the Ottawa Humane Society, among other things acting as the honorary chair for the organization's annual gala, the Fur Ball.

"She's been tremendous; some years she's been our most active foster volunteer," said

Bruce Roney, the executive director of the Ottawa Humane Society, in a statement.

"She's contributed greatly both hands on and by her presence to the Fur Ball, and we're grateful for her involvement."

But Charlie the Chinchilla was especially prominent in the Harpers' later political years — he was featured in the family's 2013 Christmas card and also starred in a YouTube video. THE CANADIAN PRESS

+ RECOVERY

Calgary MP to briefly rule Conservative caucus

For a brief moment in history, Deepak Obhrai will be the man at the helm of the Conservative party caucus.

The longtime Calgary MP happens to be the longest continuously serving member of the caucus and as such gets to run the party's first post-election, post-Stephen Harper meeting next week.

And Wednesday's meeting will likely be dramatic — MPs are expected to vote on a host of important things, including who will be interim leader and caucus chair and whether they will endow themselves with more powers.

It's all the result of changes made to the Parliament of Canada Act, put forward in a private member's bill by MP Michael Chong and passed in June. THE CANADIAN PRESS

ELECTION 2015

More youths voted this year: Alliance

Student groups say young voters — a group that typically registers some of the lowest turnout levels in the country — cast more ballots in last week's federal election than they did four years ago.

The Canadian Alliance of Student Associations (CASA) estimates that youth voter turnout was up by about 10 per cent since 2011, based on consultations with member campuses.

The exact number won't be known until Elections Canada releases detailed breakdowns of voter turnout in the coming months.

Elections Canada numbers show 70,231 people came out to special offices set up on 38 campuses during a four-day stretch prior to advance voting, which took place over the Thanksgiving long weekend.

The offices were established as part of a pilot project to get more students out to vote.

The Canadian Federation of Students' national chairperson Bilan Arte said the numbers help to undermine the reputation of young people as politically apathetic.

The figures have emboldened student groups to lobby the incoming Liberal government to make it easier to pay for post-secondary school and to create jobs for young people upon graduation.

"We need to make sure that the Trudeau government not only does what it said it would do but actually goes beyond that," Arte said. Viviane Bartlett of CASA

Our job really is to work with the government.

Viviane Bartlett of CASA

lett, CASA interim executive director, said students believed they had their voices heard during the election.

"Our job really is to work with the government in a collaborative manner to ensure there is an investment in the issues that matter to students," she said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

China to allow two children per couple

POPULATION

Decision ends unpopular one-child rule after 35 years

China said Thursday it would allow all married couples to have two children, signalling the end after 35 years to its drastic and unpopular "one-child" policy that has been blamed for skewing the gender balance, forcing women into unwanted abortions and bringing about a rapidly aging workforce.

The decision was the most significant easing of strict population policies that were long considered some of the ruling Communist Party's most onerous intrusions into family life and had been gradually relaxed in recent years. Many rural families and some urban ones were already able to have two children.



A Chinese woman plays with her grandchild at the Ritan Park in Beijing. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

The news elated 36-year-old Su Weihua of Guangzhou, who said she now plans to get pregnant next year and that she is eager for her eight-year-old daughter to have a sibling.

"I have looked forward to this for so many years — even had

dreams about it! I cried every time when I woke up and realized it wasn't yet true. I thought it was so unfair," Su said.

The party's Central Committee said in a statement that the decision was "to improve the balanced development of

population" and to deal with an aging population.

The official Xinhua News Agency said the proposal must be approved by the top legislature before it is enacted, which is essentially a formality.

The move may not spur a huge baby boom, however, in part because fertility rates are believed to be declining even without the policy's enforcement. Previous easings of the one-child policy have spurred fewer births than expected, and many people among China's younger generations see smaller families as ideal.

Demographers worry the change will not be in time to reverse the declining fertility rate.

China, which has the world's largest population at 1.4 billion people, introduced the one-child policy in 1979 as a temporary measure to curb a then-surging population and limit the demands for water and other resources.

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GREECE

Locals rush in to rescue migrants

An autumn chill had set in when the wooden boat, packed with families from Syria and Iraq, set out on the short crossing from Turkey to the Greek island of Lesbos and the promise of a new life in Europe.

Partway across, it capsized, triggering a scene of panic, confusion — and compassion — in a dramatic rescue.

A Greek Coast Guard vessel sped to the site of the latest migrant catastrophe on Europe's doorstep. So did an array of volunteers, including Spanish lifeguards and Turkish fishermen, who crammed dozens of dis-

traught people onto the decks of their small boats.

The Greek Coast Guard said 242 people were rescued in the operation Wednesday night, including at least 18 children. At least seven people died, and more than 30 are missing.

So far this year, more than 300,000 migrants have reached the island of Lesbos.

Manolis Galanakis, a local fisherman, said the actions of people smugglers who loaded the boats were "a crime against humanity."

"They just get money to put those people on boats to be dead," he said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



A Syrian refugee rests after arriving at the port of Piraeus from Lesbos on Thursday. THANASSIS STAVRAKIS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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IN BRIEF

Quebec gives billion-dollar lifeline to Bombardier

Bombardier says \$1-billion US from the Quebec government will help complete development of the CSeries and restore customer faith in the delayed and costly commercial jet program. The Montreal-based company lost US\$4.9 billion, tied mostly to large write-downs in the CSeries and abandoned Learjet 85, along with operating results that were substantially below already low expectations. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Eleven housing markets overvalued: CMHC

A growing number of Canadian housing markets are overvalued, either because the cost of buying a home has ballooned or underlying economic conditions don't support current prices, according to a new report from the federal housing agency. Canada Mortgage and Housing Corp. found evidence of problematic conditions in Toronto, Winnipeg, Saskatoon and Regina. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Adrienne Connelly of Hamilton (above) and Holly Myers of Portland, Oregon, sew bras during a bra-making class with Beverly Johnson at her Bra-Makers Supply in Hamilton on Oct. 14.

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Bra-making biz supports new careers

LINGERIE

School a global attraction for amateurs and pros alike

Sophie Ndala has watched her mother wrestle with ill-fitting lingerie her whole life and painstakingly alter oversize bras that nonetheless dug into her shoulders and provided little support.

With bra shopping a bust in their home country of South Africa, Ndala travelled thousands of kilometres to southern Ontario to learn how to help her mother — and maybe start a business herself.

She enrolled at Bra-Makers Supply in Hamilton, a sewing store and custom lingerie school that has grown into an international attraction for both amateurs and professionals.

For nearly two decades, the store's owner and self-described "fairy bra mother" Beverly Johnson has shown women — and the occasional man — how to handcraft bras that fit bodies of various shapes and sizes using her own patterns.

Johnson, 62, launched the school — one of the only programs of its kind — after years of leading workshops across Canada and around the world.

Between her in-person lessons and new online courses, Johnson estimates she's taught more than 30,000 people to make beautiful and supportive bras. Some have gone on to start their own businesses or teach lingerie-making themselves in stores such as The Make Den in west-end Toronto.

A recent weeklong master class on plus-size bras saw Ndala create a pale blue prototype to take home to her mother — who has large breasts but a petite frame — and replicate. If the undergarment fits, Ndala said she plans to start sewing some for others.

Several of her classmates already have their own lingerie lines and turned to Johnson to hone their skills.

"I really want to hit the mastectomy market," said Holly Myers, a custom bra-maker based in Portland, Ore.

"One of my aunts had breast cancer several years back and I'm also a Pilates instructor, that's kind of my first career, and I have quite a few clients who have mastectomies as well ... and they always complain about not being able to find cute bras and cute swimwear."

The school, which operates in the back of the shop, offers a range of classes from a \$225 two-day introductory course to a \$600 five-day "boob camp" and lessons in swimwear and corsetry. THE CANADIAN PRESS

SPONSORSHIP DEAL

Teen off team over fish feud

A 14-year-old girl has been kicked out of a soccer club on northern Vancouver Island over a dispute about a sponsorship deal with a salmon-farming company.

The Upper Island Riptide does not name Freyja Reed in a news release, but the teen's mother, Anissa, says her daughter has been barred from the under-15 girls' team.

The Reeds, who live in Comox, B.C., are opposed to open net-pen salmon farming and have been at odds with the club over a sponsorship deal with Marine Harvest Canada.

The club says it made the decision based on repeated breaches of its code of conduct and after receiving feedback from teammates, their families and volunteers.

The club also says it wants



Freyja Reed
THE CANADIAN PRESS

to ensure other players, volunteers and coaches can enjoy a fun and safe environment.

Reed says she received an email about the decision and didn't have a chance to tell her

daughter she was no longer on the team before the club issued a news release.

Anissa Reed said she and her 14-year-old daughter Freyja oppose salmon farming due to environmental concerns such as sea lice and disease, though sponsor Marine Harvest Canada disputes such claims.

The issue involves the company's sponsorship of the team within the Upper Island Riptide soccer club. Marine Harvest says on its website that it employs more than 10,000 people internationally and raises one-fifth of the world's salmon.

Reed said she and Freyja moved to Comox so her daughter could play for an under-15 squad but learned about the sponsorship deal in August, months after the team's tryouts. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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HALIFAX



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OPTION 2 Proportional Representation

How it works: The breakdown of seats in parliament corresponds to the breakdown of votes by party. In one form, called Mixed-Member Proportional Representation, voters cast one ballot for a local candidate and one for a party. MPs with no ridings, chosen from a party list, fill out the seats so that each party's share of seats in parliament roughly equals its share of the vote.

Where it's used: Germany, New Zealand, the Netherlands



CHAMPION: André Blaise,
Professor, political science
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Proportional Representation is the only system that delivers fairness; that's its greatest virtue. The percentage of parliament seats a party gets is more or less equal to its percentage of votes. The second-greatest virtue is that PR is flexible. There are many versions, and you can choose the type that accounts best for your other concerns. Districts can be large or small. You could limit the number of parties. You could even have a mixed system with a combination of PR and some other system. A common concern about PR is that voters want to vote directly for a local candidate. Well, it is possible to have people vote for both a party and a candidate. The major objection to PR is that it leads to coalition governments. That is true, but coalitions have advantages. They weaken the power of the prime minister; major decisions require approval of coalition partners. And it's not true that coalition governments are unstable. European PR governments last a similar amount of time as Canadian governments do.

OPTION 3 Alternative Vote

How it works: Voters rank candidates, who are usually affiliated with a party, first to last. If none gets a majority of first-choice votes, the second choices, then third choices, etc., are counted until there is a winner — one MP per riding. The party with the most MPs gets to govern.

Where it's used: Australia



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An alternative vote is the best option for electoral reform. It would not have a steep learning curve for voters. AV systems are similar to our current one. Voters indicate support for individual candidates, and a single winner will represent the riding. Our ridings would not have to change, and Canadians would continue to have a local MP in Parliament. The big difference would be how voters mark ballots. Instead of a single X, they'd rank the candidates by number. When a candidate wins with less than 50 per cent of the vote, like they can now, it means a majority of voters preferred someone else. This would not happen with AV. Voting for someone with no chance of winning would not mean a wasted vote — support would be redistributed to the next-preferred option until one candidate emerged with over 50 per cent of the votes. This means any winning candidate would have the support of a majority of voters — maybe not a majority of first-choice votes, but preference over other options.

OPTION 4 Status Quo: First-Past-The-Post

How it works: Voters elect a local MP, who is usually affiliated with a party. The local candidate with the most votes wins, and the party with the most winners governs.

Where it's used: Canada, the U.K., India, many others



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First-Past-The-Post is designed to produce clear winners and single-party majority governments, even without a majority of votes. Majority governments can pursue big, visionary projects like free trade and they last around four years. Remember the uncertainty and frequent elections caused by minority governments in the 2000s? FPTP also creates effective representation. If you have a problem with the federal bureaucracy, you can enlist help from your riding's MP, thanks to a clear, direct link between MPs and voters. But imagine if your riding was twice or three times as populous as now, and the MP didn't have resources to help? Or you had several MPs, and it wasn't clear who to contact? Other systems produce these outcomes. FPTP ensures accountability. By voting, many Canadians held the Conservatives accountable. The government fell. But imagine if they were defeated but remained in power, in a coalition, for decades. That's possible in other electoral systems.

ROSEMARY WESTWOOD

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Docking dogs' tails? You're on the wrong side of history

The change has come — in B.C. this time, where veterinarians have voted to ban cosmetic ear cropping and tail docking for dogs.

Some breeders and dog owners aren't happy, which is unfortunate for them.

B.C. is the seventh province — and won't be the last — to outlaw cutting dogs' ears to sharp points and lopping off their tails, which supposedly gives breeds like Dobermans and Boxers their distinctive look.

This is the best kind of societal shift: originating from professionals, based on sound evidence and introduced for the welfare of the voiceless.

"I've always refused to crop," says Dr. Nicole Gallant, president of the Canadian Veterinary Medical Association, which supports the bans.

The group states that studies show cropping and docking are medically risky and offer no "welfare or medical benefit" — a claim kennel associations make. It also calls on breed associations to remove surgical modifications from their standards.

There might be "a few generations of dog who won't win in the ring" at shows, Gallant noted, but the shift "is coming."

Gallant is careful to say she assumes most owners and breeders love and care for their pets.

"A lot of this is about educating people and discussing what these surgeries are and

why we're choosing not to do them," she said. "Opinions are pretty strong on this."

Indeed. The Canadian Kennel Club objects to B.C.'s ban, and owners in other provinces have claimed (unconvincingly) the bans infringe upon their rights.

The debate is an old, stubborn one: Europe is ahead of us, and the U.S. behind. But even there, states such as New York and Vermont have considered similar bans. In response, the American Kennel Club is calling on "fanciers" to pressure their senators and owners to pressure their vets.

It's not surprising a group of people dedicated to "preserving breed character" are wary of change. But there is some irony: they breed dogs to be aggressive (say, Dobermans) and then cut the dogs' floppy ears because that aggression could cause ear injuries in a fight. As for "character," google "Doberman with floppy ears" and try to find that menacing.

Surgery advocates offer varied and lengthy defences — but consider the source.

Vets have nothing to gain by upsetting breeders and owners. Breeders and owners, on the other hand, have reputations to maintain. And adopting new practices would be admitting they were wrong in the past.

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HORROR

Modern zombie movies owe big debt to Night of the Living Dead

Richard Crouse
For Metro Canada



Movies like World War Z, Zombie Women of Satan and this weekend's comedy-horror Scouts Guide to the Zombie Apocalypse — the story of three Scouts who must bond to save their town from a zombie outbreak — owe a debt of gratitude to Night of the Living Dead.

In 1968, the story of story of people trapped in a rural Pennsylvania farmhouse trying to survive an attack by reanimated ghouls dragged a bloody new horror genre into the marketplace.

For better (see Re-Animator) and for worse (see Zombie Nightmare) the movie Rex Reed called “a classic” has spawned almost five decades of brain eating and head explosions, but according to the film’s co-author John Russo, the origin of the idea was anything but sinister.

“Sometime in the winter of 1966 George Romero and I were having lunch with Richard Ricci,” says Russo, then a co-partner with Romero and Russell Streiner (who has the film’s most famous line, “They’re coming to get you, Barbara!”) in



Night of the Living Dead has spawned nearly five decades of brain eating and head explosions, like this weekend's comedy-horror Scouts Guide to the Zombie Apocalypse. CONTRIBUTED

The Latent Image, a commercial television production house.

“George and I were complaining about the fickleness of our commercial clients. Richard said, ‘So why don’t you do something about it?’ I thought about it and said, ‘We oughtta be able to make something better than the crap we see on Chiller Theater.’”

“George right away got excited, slammed the table with his big hand, sending bottles

and glasses flying, and yelled, “We’re gonna make a movie!”

The two batted around several ideas.

One, titled Monster Flick, was a horror comedy about teenage aliens, while another focused on flesh eating aliens.

“But we quickly discovered that we could not afford all the necessary special effects,” he says, so the writing continued.

“We’d go to work late at night in separate offices, at



MOVIE RATINGS by Richard Crouse

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separate typewriters,” says Russo. “I said right away that our story should start in a cemetery because folks found cem-

eteries spooky. I was working on a script that started in a cemetery and involved aliens coming to earth in search of

human flesh. But George took a break at Christmas time and came back with half of a story that started in a cemetery, and was in essence what became the first half of Night of the Living Dead. There were all the proper twists and turns and a lot of excitement, but George never said who the attackers were or why they were attacking.

“I said, ‘I like this, George, but who are these attackers? You never say.’ And he said he didn’t know. So I said, ‘It seems to me they could be dead people. But why are they attacking? What are they after?’ Again, he said he didn’t know. So I said, ‘Why don’t we use my flesh-eating idea?’ And he agreed.

“So that’s how the modern flesh-eating zombies were born!”

These days it doesn’t take a lot of braaaaaaaaaaaaaaains to see the legacy of Night of the Living Dead. The ghoulish story is considered a classic, has spawned comedies like the box office hit Zombieland and hit television shows like The Walking Dead.

“We were absolutely dedicated toward making a movie that was true to its premise and the motivations of its characters, from start to finish,” says Russo, adding, “[the movie] struck a primal chord in everybody, perhaps because of the atavistic memory of our species as easy prey for wild beasts, which we were for most of human history. We all carry the deep-seated fear of being devoured.”



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OUR BRAND IS CRISIS

After string of 'wife' offers, she took role written for man

Is she going to be hot?

That's the question a studio executive asked Sandra Bullock about the lead character in a project she was pitching well into her Hollywood career.

"I looked at him and I go, 'Well, it is me, so you get what you get. You do realize that I'm pitching this for me?'" recalled Bullock in a recent interview. "He goes, 'Yeah, but I want to know, like, what is she going to wear?'"

Things have gotten a little better since then. In *Our Brand is Crisis*, out Friday, Bullock plays a role originally written for a man, and no one checked in to see whether or not the savvy political consultant character was going to be a bombshell, too.

But this is the exception. Bullock's conversation with the studio executive remains an all-too-familiar scene for actresses in Hollywood, where sexist presumptions are engrained in the culture.

Then there's the matter of substance with roles for women. Bullock can't remember how many times she's had to listen to a writer try to explain how



Never mind the bollocks: Bullock plays politics

"the wife" is really the heart of the movie.

"I know what that means. That means you're going to be underwritten and you're just going to be the wife waking up in bed with the husband and

making the coffee," she said. "If you say that I'm the heart of the piece, I'm going to (expletive) clock you."

That's why Bullock and her agent started looking at roles for men.

After all, male characters don't always have to be likable. Their comedies don't have to be of the romantic variety. And the first question from studio executives probably isn't going to be "Is he hot?"

When Bullock read the unproduced screenplay for *Our Brand is Crisis*, she decided to call longtime friends George Clooney and producer Grant Heslov to see if there was any chance they might consider her

for the lead — an amoral, Sun Tzu-quoting political consultant who's come out of retirement for a showdown with an old rival. They said yes.

To adapt the part, they changed around some pronouns, they gave the character a woman's name, and they added some sexual innuendos with her foe (Billy Bob Thornton). But overall, it remained as originally written.

Part of that is the strength of screenwriter Peter Straughan's script, said Thornton. The transition from male to female was easy because it was never a type to begin with — the gender was almost incidental.

"I tend as a writer to not identify characters unless there's a reason for it," said Thornton. "(Straughan) wrote it as a person."

From there, director David Gordon Green and his actors could focus on the big ideas in this satirical story about a failing Bolivian presidential candidate and the American lackeys hired to try to manipulate his image and a country for the win.

As someone whose father worked in the Pentagon, Bullock understands the allure of stories about the underbelly of politics. The do-anything candidates and unscrupulous mercenaries in *Our Brand is Crisis* are especially resonant now, she notes. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Zoe Kazan HANDOUT

INTERVIEW

Zoe Kazan brings the laughs

Matt Prigge
Metro | New York



Zoe Kazan tends to play serious, or if it's a rom-com, like *What If*, quasi-serious.

But in *Our Brand is Crisis* she gets to play a character whose primary function is to act as a comic foil. She's LaBlanc, the crafty right-hand person of Sandra Bullock's political advisor, who's lent her services out to a probably crooked Bolivian politician (Joaquim de Almeida) who's race isn't going so well.

LaBlanc is unusual for you, because she's mostly a comedic character.

That was part of it — the idea of getting to play this enigma. I had also accidentally done a lot of romantic comedies. I was just tired of that genre. I liked the idea of being able to do something about a bunch of people using their minds. And there was getting to speak Spanish in a movie. It's a lan-

guage I grew up speaking, which I never get to use.

Given your character primarily serves as a translator, I assume that helped you get the role.

I auditioned for the part. I had to improvise in Spanish in the audition. I think everyone thought I was much better at Spanish than I actually am. My accent is good; it fools people.

This is technically a political film, but it's more along the lines of *Veep* or *In the Loop*.

I don't think there are overt politics to the film, and I think that notion is partly what the movie is about. These people are people who are working in the political field who are not doing it because they're passionate about this or that cause. It's because they're passionate about winning.

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Bradley Cooper shows off his chops

BURNT

Actor realized pre-existing cooking skills wouldn't cut it

Bradley Cooper wasn't a novice to the kitchen when he decided to take on the role of the fictional Michelin star chef Adam Jones in *Burnt*.

He grew up in a food loving home near Philadelphia — some of his favourite memories are of his grandmother making pizza, cheesecakes and homemade raviolis. He was a bus boy at a Greek restaurant there, a waiter at a fancy establishment near Georgetown University, and a prep cook at an Italian and seafood place in Somers Point, New Jersey.

One day, he said, he cut and cleaned 620 chickens and nine boxes of peppers in addition to making the dough and sauces.

But he didn't tell anyone that when he started rubbing elbows with the Michelin calibre cooks he needed to learn from for this role.

"They wouldn't have cared,"



Bradley Cooper plays a high-octane, drug-addicted top chef in *Burnt*. HANDOUT

said Cooper, laughing. Besides, he needed to get down to work if he was going to believably portray this top chef seeking a third Michelin star. Whatever knife proficiency he thought he had wasn't exactly going to cut it under the scrutiny of professionals.

In *Burnt*, out Friday, not only is Adam Jones a savant in the kitchen; he's also got a drug habit that's left him an exile in the world of haute cuisine. While the drugs are under control for the moment, his temper is another story. Who better to learn from than

the stormy Gordon Ramsay?

Cooper trained alongside Claire Smythe, executive chef of London's Restaurant Gordon Ramsay, which has three Michelin stars, for "many, many services," said director John Wells.

"All the actors had to spend

the time to get fluent in the craft — not fluent enough to serve 100 meals, but fluent enough where someone else who knows how to do it wouldn't think they look ridiculous."

When it got down to shooting, they chose the authentic over the artificial.

BBC TV Master Chef presenter Marcus Wareing was behind the camera, both designing the menus and keeping an eye on everyone's technique.

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That's real sweat. My eyes were bloodshot ... It was all real.

Bradley Cooper

The actors felt the stress and the pain of working in a real kitchen too — sometimes literally, with cuts and burns.

"That's real sweat. My eyes were bloodshot for half the movie. It was all real. For an actor, that was amazing. There was no stunt double. There

was no insert of another person's hands," said Cooper.

Being No. 1 on the call sheet isn't unlike being the head of a kitchen, too. Cooper needed to set the tone of the operation.

"He did exactly what any director would want him to do. He was fully prepared, had done all of his research, knew all of his lines and showed up ready to work and was as demanding as Adam," said Wells. "He was the first person on the set and the last person off."

The seriousness with which Cooper approached the role reminded Wells of another actor he'd worked with recently: Meryl Streep.

He remembers showing up for a read through of August: Osage County and Streep was already off book.

"Everyone else was like, 'Oh, uh oh, it's going to be like that, is it?' And that was the same with Bradley," he said.

"Bradley, because he's so damn good looking, people don't realize that he's really smart — fiercely intelligent. He questions things and you and everyone else had better be prepared."

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HORROR MOVIES

World said film no good, but one city begs to differ

Alan Cross

For Metro Canada



Forty years ago, two movies were released to massive public indifference.

One would later become a worldwide cult phenomenon that has since grossed more than \$440 million. The other also became a cult favourite but on a — ahem — slightly smaller scale.

That first movie, *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*, has never officially been pulled from theatrical release by 20th Century Fox and continues to screen all over the world.

The second film also lives on, but only in one place: Winnipeg.

The Phantom of the Paradise, Brian De Palma's schlocky rock 'n' roll riff on *The Phantom*



The Phantom of the Paradise, Brian De Palma's schlocky rock 'n' roll riff on *The Phantom of the Opera*, continues to be an inexplicable cult hit in Winnipeg. HANDOUT

of the Opera, tells the story of poor Winslow Leach, who, after being disfigured by having his head squished in a record press, has his music stolen by the evil Swan, played by the diminutive Paul Williams, best known at the time for writing hits for The Carpenters and Barbra Streisand, and who would soon gain

fame for writing Rainbow Connection for Kermit the Frog. Swan also steals away Phoenix, the object of Leach/The Phantom's unrequited love. It all ends very badly for everyone.

For reasons that baffle cinephiles, musicologists and sociologists, *Paradise* grabbed on to the good people of Winnipeg

upon its release in 1974 and never let go. While the film was bounced from theatres within a week or two in most cities, it ran for months in Winnipeg. The city bought more than 20,000 copies of the soundtrack. And passion for the movie continues to run very, very deep.

Every couple of years, Win-

nipeg's love for *Paradise* is renewed with a gathering called *Phantompalooza*. This Friday night, *Paradisers* will once again assemble at the Metropolitan Entertainment Centre, not far from the old Garrick Theatre where the movie first played in 1974. The guest of honour will be Peter Elbling, the lead ghoul of *The Undead*, one of the film's fictional bands. The city is freaking out at the prospect of seeing the man who sang *Somebody Super Like You*.

I will be there. My sister is performing in the event's house band. A lot of my old friends will be attending. None of us can explain it; this is just something Winnipeggers do.

Several years ago I cornered Williams backstage at a Canadian Music Week event. I had to tell him that I considered *Paradise* to be one of the greatest movies I'd ever seen as a kid.

Williams, who has the tiniest feet I've ever seen on a grown man, looked up at me with a weird expression. "Why?"

"I'm from Winnipeg," I replied.

"Oh," he said. "That explains it."

MUSIC BRIEF

Swift countersues radio host in groping incident

Taylor Swift filed a counterclaim Wednesday against a former Denver radio host who sued her after he said he lost his job because of false accusations that he inappropriately touched her during a pre-concert meet-and-greet.

David Mueller sued Swift in September, saying he was falsely accused by a member of her security team of grabbing the singer's buttocks backstage. Mueller, who denied any inappropriate contact, said he was fired two days later from his job at KYGO radio.

According to Swift's counter argument, Mueller claims that one of his superiors at the radio station committed the alleged assault. But Swift, 25, accuses Mueller solely. "Ms. Swift knows exactly who committed the assault — it was Mueller," Swift's attorneys wrote in the counterclaim. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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HOT 100

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Canadian musicians hold down the top four spots on the Billboard Hot 100 for the first time in the 60-year history of the U.S. singles chart.

The Weeknd tops the chart for the second week straight with *The Hills* from his *Beauty Behind the Madness* album. His *Can't*

Feel My Face was in the top and third spots earlier this month.

Rapper Drake's song *Hotline Bling* was in second spot, followed by Justin Bieber's *What Do You Mean* (the song was earlier in the top spot). Shawn Mendes is in the No. 4 spot with *Stitches*.

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Painting class, foot-stomping musical evoke region's past

Mike Dojc
For Metro Canada

The Gullah are the descendants of the people of the rice coast regions of Western Africa who were stripped of their freedom, herded onto slave ships, and imported as chattel to the Lowcountry of South Carolina and Georgia. They were liberated the first year of the Civil War following the battle of Port Royal and remained in the Beaufort area, where decades of rural isolation preserved their African-American Gullah culture.

Whispers of the past can still be heard when staring out at the vast salt marshes from the waterfront — a view undisturbed by the passage of time — or walking down the town's shady residential streets through a towering and twisted canopy of live oaks festooned with Spanish moss that rustles in the breeze.

The porch ceilings of stately antebellum homes are painted a soft, pale "haint blue," a stylistic flourish that arose from Gullah ghostbusting tradition. The cooling colour is believed to ward off "haints" or evil spirits. According to Gullah superstition, lost souls up to no good are as afraid of water as the Wicked

Witch of the West. Beaufort's bubbling art scene with galleries dotting the downtown core also serves as a visual bridge to the past.

Creative freedom
"I had two types of grandmothers. I had that really sweet grandmother who would teach me how to bake cakes. Then I had that grandmother who would teach me how to go get a switch," riffs Sonja Griffins Evans, an acclaimed Gullah culture artist.

She's pointing to a work of hers depicting a young girl with her hands clasped and her guardian behind her in a matching white dress. "When I first painted it I thought this is Nana's baby." We're in the courtyard of the Beaufort Arsenal, a castle-like fortification constructed in 1799, about to dip our brushes and have at it in a painting class.

Gullah paintings tend to employ bright, vibrant colours in their depictions of post-emanicipation community life, and figures are often faceless. Evans steers us to follow our own path but shepherds the artistic process by urging pupils to pick out one colour that is personally meaningful and then blanket our canvas with it to serve as a backdrop.

After choosing a dark shade of green and making a few muddy brushstrokes she glances at my work in progress and intuits correctly that I'm "a bit of a nature guy." Later she takes a look and envisions a red-roofed

SUPERSTITION
Porch ceilings in the South Carolina Lowcountry are commonly painted "haint blue," a colour believed to ward off evil spirits.



The view from the third-floor balcony of the Anchorage 1770 inn in Beaufort, S.C. CONTRIBUTED



Aunt Pearl Sue of Aunt Pearl Sue and The Gullah Kinfolk performs for guests. MIKE DOJC/FOR METRO



Painting by Sonja Griffins Evans. MIKE DOJC/FOR METRO

structure in my painting's future, another prescient forecast.

Evans' work can be found at Scout Southern Market (709 Bay St.), a home decor shop where you can sip on a mint mojito sweet tea float while browsing hand-hammered copper pitchers, porch bed swings, and spoon-laden chandeliers.

For a wide variety of Gullah, African and low-country folk art, LyBensons Gallery and Studio (211 Charles St.) carries everything from sweetgrass baskets and wood burnings, to works depicting Gullah icon Robert Smalls, the slave-turned-ship captain and eventual five-term congressman.

A Gullah night on the town
The first Friday in December will ring in the Yuletide season on the South Carolina Sea Islands with a stirring rendition of The Gullah Kinfolk: Christmas Wish ... Freedom Coming at the University of South Carolina-Beaufort's Performing Arts Center. Connect with Gullah culture through a dazzling, foot-stomping musical bringing alive the excitement of December of 1860, the last Christmas holiday before the Civil War.

Coinciding with the stirring theatrical performance is the Taste of Gullah Soulfood Buffet where local caterers serve up collards, candied yams, gumbo, red rice and other rib-sticking favourites. There will also be an artist showcase and market.

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Orlando beyond the theme parks

FLORIDA

10 fun things you can do in the city, from arts to wildlife

Mark Stachiew
For Metro Canada

Many Canadians never venture beyond the walls of Orlando's famous theme parks, but those who do will discover an exciting range of experiences in the Florida city that just might surprise them.

1 Ride the Orlando Eye

It only opened last year, but this gigantic Ferris wheel has become an instant Orlando icon. Take a sunset ride on this engineering wonder and marvel at the panoramic views below.

2 Look for gators

You don't have to go all the way to

the Everglades to see alligators. Just 30 minutes from town, you can take an airboat tour that will let you see gators and other wildlife in their natural habitat.

3 Ride an Amphicar

At the Boathouse Restaurant in Disney Springs, a sprawling shopping, dining and entertainment district, you can take a one-of-a-kind tour of the nearby lake in an Amphicar, a 1960s-era amphibious car of which only a few hundred remain in the world.

4 Enjoy fine dining

Foodies love Orlando's restaurant scene. It attracts celebrity chefs from around the world and is home to some local chefs who are making names for themselves. Whether you prefer Southern barbecue, Asian fusion or farm-to-fork, just about any type of cuisine you can think of can be found here.



The Orlando Eye has become an instant icon of the city. HANDOUT

5 Go up in a hot-air balloon

The Orlando Eye is not the only way to get a bird's-eye view of the sprawling city and the area around it. Visitors can experience a sunrise ride in a hot-air balloon that transports them above the ground at a leisurely pace.



6 See the fishes

SEA LIFE Aquarium is the perfect place to bring the kids on a rainy day or on those days that it's so hot that you want to do something inside. This colourful aquarium is a lot of fun and children won't even notice that it's educational.

7 Get close to celebrities

Madame Tussaud's Wax Mu-

seum lets you get up close to their celebrity figures. You'll be amazed at their resemblance to the real thing and may even be surprised at just how tall (or short) some of them are. Selfies are encouraged!

8 Peek into the backyards of the rich

For a century, the swanky Or-

lando neighbourhood of Winter Garden was the winter home to many rich, northern industrialists. Their stately waterfront homes are still favoured by the rich and famous and ordinary folks can get a peek by taking a boat tour that passes by their properties.

9 Go to a show

The newly opened Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts is a stunning, state-of-the-art concert venue in downtown Orlando that hosts live music, Broadway musicals, theatre, comedy and much more. Check their schedule to see what's playing when you are in town.

10 Admire some Tiffany glass

The glass masterpieces of Louis Tiffany are preserved at the Charles Hosmer Morse Museum of American Art in Winter Park. It is the most important collection of this art nouveau master best known for his colourful lamps.

The writer was a guest of Visit Orlando, which did not review nor approve the story.

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London thrilled by new Bond exhibit

ON THE MOVE

Displays range from fast rides to a crocodile submarine

Loren Christie
For Metro Canada



The Brits love their Bond.

"He is very much a British cultural icon. Everybody has grown up with him: kids, parents and even grandparents," explains Rachel Stewardson, a tour guide at the London Film Museum.

On until March 2016, the museum's Bond in Motion exhibit, a collection of James Bond vehicles, has been wildly popular with locals and tourists alike. With the launch of the latest Bond flick, Spectre, Stewardson expects the exhibit will be extended for another year.

The most popular vehicle here is the classic Bond car, the Aston Martin. The DB5

used in Goldeneye is displayed prominently and a one-third scale model of the same make, used in Skyfall, gives visitors a glimpse into the magic of movie-making.

You quickly learn that many other Aston Martins have played a part in the Bond world: the V12 Vanquish from Die Another Day, the V8 from The Living Daylights, and even the wreckage of the DBS used in Casino Royale, which broke a Guinness world record for the number of flips (seven and three-quarters rotation) taken by a stunt driver during filming.

Another highlight is the Lotus Esprit S1 from the Spy Who Loved Me. Remember the scene where Bond and his Russian spy love interest, pursued

by a gun-blazing helicopter, go flying off a pier into the water? When the car transforms into a submersible laden with Q-supplied gadgets, you can't help but cheer for the suave spy.

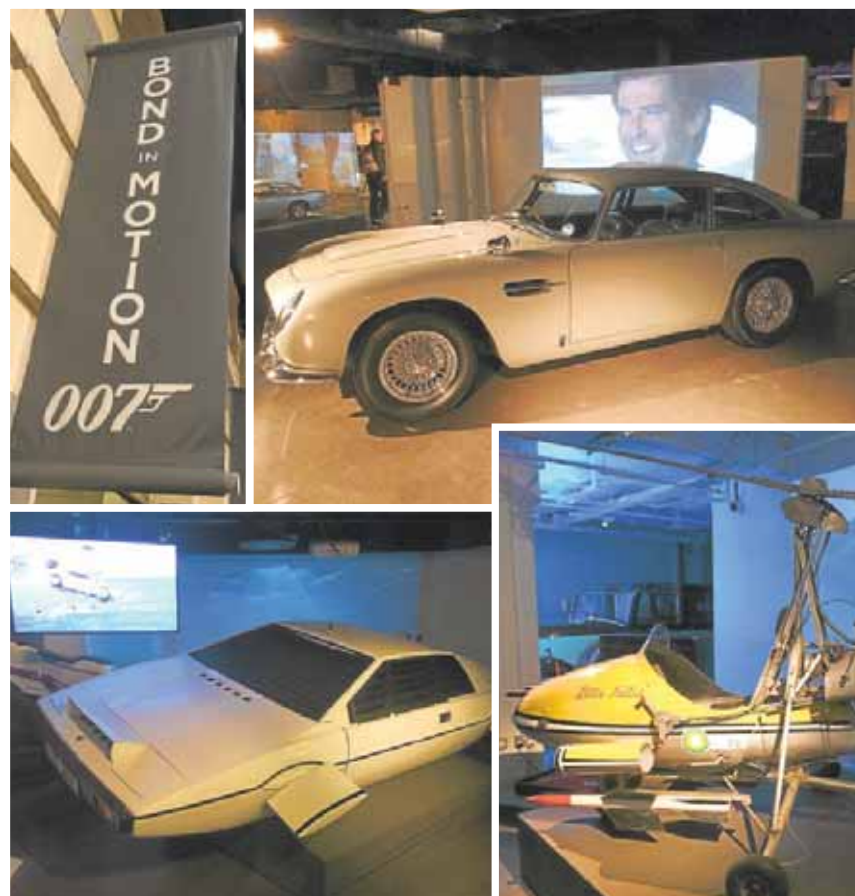
My favourite displays are the unconventional vehicles: the cello case sled used by Bond to slide away from armed guards in The Living Daylights; the Little Nellie auto gyro mini helicopter from You Only Live Twice; and the crocodile submarine from Octopussy. Apparently the filmmakers acquired a real crocodile for the scene, which then escaped and hibernated under the set, only to reappear two weeks later.

In addition to the vehicles, there are storyboards, scripts and a smattering of the costumes and props used during more than 50 years of Bond filmmaking. Video screens placed throughout play the relevant clips from the movies.

Located half a block from Covent Garden, a stop here will leave anyone interested in movie-making shaken and stirred.



The museum does an excellent job of immersing you into the world of Bond.



The London Film Museum's Bond in Motion exhibit runs to March 2016. LOREN CHRISTIE/FOR METRO

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Chicago feels the Force on museum

MOVIE ARTIFACTS

Council OKs George Lucas museum, but hurdles remain

The force — of Chicago's city council, at least — is with George Lucas, as aldermen voted Wednesday to allow the Star Wars filmmaker to build his \$400-million museum along the shores of Lake Michigan.

With no discussion, the council cast the widely expected vote in favour of allowing Lucas to build his 300,000-square-foot Lucas Museum of Narrative Art just south of Soldier Field, home of the Chicago Bears.

Mayor Rahm Emanuel strongly endorsed the project and Lucas's choice of Chicago instead of San Francisco as the site for his museum was considered a major coup for the mayor, who earlier this year scored another victory when President Barack Obama selected Chicago as the site of his presidential library.

But as with that library, not everybody favours handing over city parkland for Lucas to build

his museum. Non-profit group Friends of the Parks is suing in federal court to block the project and the two sides are due back in court Nov. 10.

Some questions and answers about the museum plan:

Why Chicago?

It seemed like San Francisco was a lock. After all, Lucas was born in California, Lucasfilm's visual effects division is based in the city and the headquarters of Lucasfilm and Skywalker Sound is across the Golden Gate Bridge in Marin County. But Lucas' wife, Mellody Hobson, is from Chicago. And when the two got married, they hosted a star-studded party there to celebrate after their California wedding.

Then there is Mayor Rahm Emanuel. The famously pushy mayor really wanted the museum and while San Francisco was "doodling around," as Lucas once said, Emanuel was getting the city to offer up a slice of real estate along the lake near attractions such as the Field Museum of Natural History and the Shedd Aquarium.

What will it look like?

It is no surprise that a filmmaker



Construction on the proposed Lucas Museum of Narrative Art, left, in Chicago could begin as early as next spring, with doors opening as soon as 2019, if things go according to plan.

LUCAS MUSEUM OF NARRATIVE ART VIA THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

that introduced the world to Han Solo's Millennium Falcon and a droid named R2-D2 plans to house his collection in a futuristic building. The undulating structure will have an observation deck that resembles a

floating disc. But the revised renderings also reflect the battle with those opposed to building a private museum on the city's cherished lakefront. About 100,000 square feet have been lopped off of the original

planned 400,000-square-foot building, leaving more green space on the 17-acre site, which will include many trees, native plants and an outdoor plaza that leads up to the sloping face of the building.

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The 300,000-square-foot undulating structure would sit on a 17-acre site on the Chicago lakefront. About 100,000 square feet were trimmed from the original plan to leave more green space.

What is going to be in the museum?

It may be officially called the Lucas Museum of Narrative Art, but it will almost certainly be known as the Star Wars Museum. That means there will be plenty of artifacts and costumes from the Star Wars films, and Lucas has said there will be artifacts from the Indiana Jones movies and other films. But along with props and story boards, the museum will also include three auditoriums where visitors can watch films and attend lectures and workshops. Not only that, but the museum will showcase artwork Lucas has been collecting since college, including illustrations by Norman Rockwell and N.C. Wyeth. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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AUS IN BRIEF

Halifax hockey teams have busy weekend ahead

The AUS hockey schedule continues this weekend.

The seventh-place Dalhousie Tigers host the second-place Moncton Aigles Bleus on Friday and then the eighth-place St. Thomas Tommies on Saturday.

Meanwhile, the fifth-place Saint Mary's Huskies will hit the road to take on the sixth-place UPEI Panthers on Friday and the first-place UNB Varsity Reds on Saturday.

On the women's side, the seventh-place Dalhousie Tigers welcome the third-place UPEI Panthers on Saturday, while the second-place Saint Mary's Huskies host the same team on Sunday. METRO

Football Huskies face last chance for win this weekend

The Saint Mary's Huskies have one last chance to walk off the football field with a win this year.

They kick off against the Acadia Axemen at 2 p.m. this Saturday in Wolfville, in what will be their eighth and final game of the 2015 season.

If they lose, it will be their second straight 0-8 season. METRO

Black magic woman

GYMNASTICS

Canadian record broken by Haligonian at worlds



Kristen Lipscombe
Metro | Halifax

There was more Black magic at the world gymnastics championships on Thursday.

Halifax's own Ellie Black, 20, broke a Canadian record by finishing seventh in the women's individual all-round final, garnering 56.758 points after performing routines on the balance beam, floor, uneven bars and vault.

"I was so excited just to be in that top group of girls," Black said by phone Thursday night from Glasgow, Scotland, where the world championships are taking place through Sunday.

"It was another chance to go compete in that arena and just get some incredible memories.

"I was very pleased with my vault and my floor performance(s)," Black said of Thursday's highlights. "And just going out there and having fun — that was the whole



Ellie Black placed seventh in the women's individual all-around final at the world gymnastics championships on Thursday in Glasgow, Scotland. ALEX LIVESEY/GETTY IMAGES

point of it really, just to go out and enjoy."

Black said her main goal had been to help the Canadian women qualify for Rio 2016, which she and her teammates did Tuesday by claiming sixth in the women's team final, the

red and white's best result in 26 years.

The top eight teams from this year's world championships get to compete at the 2016 Olympic Summer Games in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

"This is kind of like icing

on the cake," Black said of her own seventh-place finish, moving up from ninth in 2014 and 13th two years ago.

But she still has some candles to put on that cake before Canada's success at this year's worlds can be celebrated.

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Isabela Onyshko of Manitoba also competed in Thursday's individual all-around final for Canada, finishing 16th overall with 55.332 points.

Black still has the balance beam finals Sunday, which is one of her strongest skills, but also one of her hardest routines.

"I had a little bit of a fall on beam," she said of Thursday's competition.

"It's one of my high-difficulty routines. You have a higher risk of falling, but it's something we have decided is worth the risk, because when you can make those routines, it will really pay off."

That's why the London 2012 Olympian and five-time Toronto 2015 Pan Am Games medallist wants "to go out and show what I can do" at this Sunday's final day of competition in Glasgow.

"Even with the fall, to be seventh in the world is such a great accomplishment," Black said.

"It's definitely motivating to go home and keep working hard."

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Anthopoulos leaves everyone puzzled

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Jays' successful GM exits post with class but in cloud of mystery

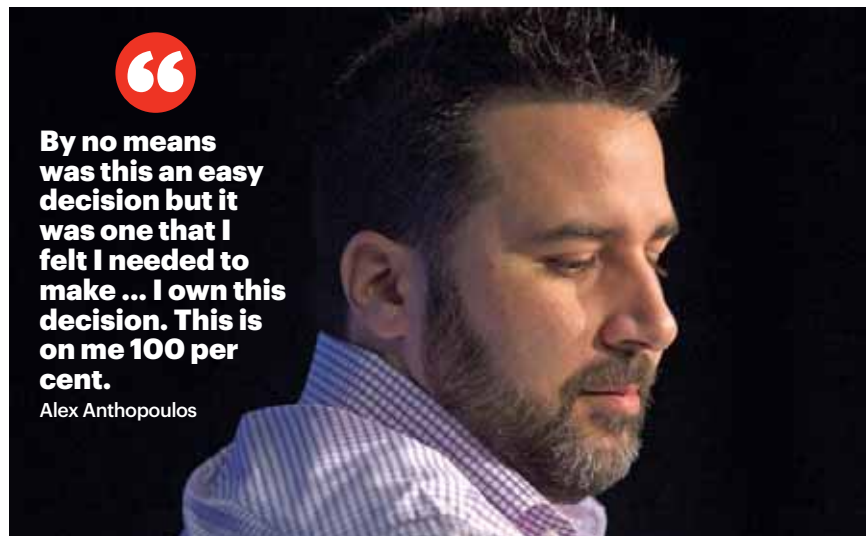
The same day he was named Major League Baseball's executive of the year, Alex Anthopoulos found himself trying to explain why he was facing unemployment.

In a surprising turn of events, the Toronto Blue Jays parted ways with their chief architect Thursday — less than a week after coming within one inning of forcing Game 7 in the American League Championship Series. Anthopoulos said it was his choice, with the final decision coming Wednesday afternoon.

"I just didn't feel like this was the right fit for me going forward," Anthopoulos told reporters in a conference call Thursday. "Not an easy (decision). Obviously everyone knows how I feel about the organization, the city, the country. By no means was this an easy decision but it was one that I felt I needed to make ... I own this decision. This is on me 100 per cent," he added.

It was a classy if confusing exit. Despite repeated questions, Anthopoulos did not elaborate on why he is leaving, other than to say that he wanted to be true to himself and that the impasse was not due to a financial disagreement. But the GM's departure comes during a changeover in Jays management with Mark Shapiro, the former Cleveland Indians president, taking over from the departing Paul Beeston as president and CEO.

"This decision is solely mine. Mark gave me every opportu-



By no means was this an easy decision but it was one that I felt I needed to make ... I own this decision. This is on me 100 per cent.

Alex Anthopoulos

GM Alex Anthopoulos will soon part ways with the Toronto Blue Jays. The Montreal native said he was given an 'extremely generous' offer to stay CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

ity to return. He was sincere in wanting me back ... (Team owner) Rogers and Mark were more than generous, I mean extremely generous," added the Montreal native.

Anthopoulos left more questions than answers. He said he wanted to be back and that ownership and his new boss wanted him to stay. But clearly the team's new landscape was not one he could live with.

He declined to say why it was not a good fit. But he went out of his way to praise Shapiro and Rogers, stressing that the baseball team is in good hands.

"I know this is not an easy day for anybody ... I don't think any of us wanted this to happen," Anthopoulos, 38, turned down a five-year contract extension, amid speculation of a difference in vision with Shapiro, who does not officially take up his new job

+ FINALISTS

Martin, Buerhle and Pillar on Gold Glove shortlist

Catcher Russell Martin, pitcher Mark Buerhle and centre-fielder Kevin Pillar were named 2015 Gold Glove Award finalists.

until Monday. Unlike Beeston, Shapiro is a president immersed in the baseball side — and one who clearly has his own views on how to run a club. Shapiro and Anthopoulos don't appear to be on the same page, although Anthopoulos rejected the suggestion of a power struggle.

Anthopoulos said he did not have another job lined up, although he said his phone "exploded" Thursday once news of his pending departure broke.

Anthopoulos, then assistant general manager, took over as Toronto's GM in 2009 after J.P. Ricciardi was fired.

The Jays went 489-483 under Anthopoulos, according to Sportsnet stats, but soared this year. The GM earned kudos for a string of moves that produced a thrilling 93-69 campaign and a return to the playoffs after 22 years. He helped end the team's playoff drought by retooling in the off-season and then showing some impressive sleight of hand before the trade deadline.

Signing Canadian catcher Russell Martin and trading for third baseman Josh Donaldson provided an upgrade on and off the field. Then the deadline acquisitions of David Price, Ben Revere, Troy Tulowitzki and LaTroy Hawkins helped the team to a remarkable second-half surge.

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metro OBITUARIES

JOHNSON, Kathleen Marie



Johnson, Kathleen Marie, age 69 of East Preston died peacefully at the QEII Health Science Centre, Infirmary Site on Tuesday October 27, 2015. Born January 28, 1946 in East Preston, she was the daughter of the late William S. and Irene L. (Thomas) Howe. Kathleen was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and sister. She was a member of the East Preston United Baptist Church for

many years and also fellowship along with her husband at Saint Thomas Baptist Church, North Preston. She was member of various organizations such as The Women's Missionary Society, East Preston, the Army and Navy Dart and Bowling Leagues. She was employed with KFC before retiring. She is survived by her loving husband, James Johnson; sons, Rickey (Mady), Carlo (Alisha), Cory (Kim); daughters, Lorna, Shana; many step children; 10 grandchildren; 7 great grandchildren; Godchild Tyla Johnson; brothers Allen (Genevieve) Howe, Ronald Howe, Elroy Howe; sisters, Beatrice (Raymond) Williams, Margaret (Donald) Fraser, Janet (Mitchell) Carvery, Cheryl Howe; special sister in law, Roni Johnson; special nephew, Max Beals. She was predeceased by an infant son and two infant sisters; sister, Vonita Simmonds and brother, Arnold Howe. Visitation will be held from 2-4pm with The Ladies Auxiliary and WMS Service to be held at 7pm on Sunday Nov.1, 2015 both at the Atlantic Funeral Home, 771 Main St. Dartmouth. The Home-Going funeral service will be held 1pm on Monday, November 2, at East Preston United Baptist Church. Rev Wallace Smith, officiating; Rev. Dr. Joyce Ross will be co-officiating. Burial in East Preston Cemetery. Repast to follow at East Preston Recreation Centre. Donations may be made to East Preston United Baptist Church Building Fund or Saint Thomas Baptist Church Building Fund, North Preston. Online condolences may be made at www.atlanticfuneralhomes.com (Dartmouth Chapel)



RAFUSE, ROSE ELIZABETH

My Wife, My Best Friend xo

Rafuse, Rose Elizabeth — of Fall River, passed away on October 29, 2015 at the Halifax Infirmary.

Born in James River, Antigonish Co.; she was a daughter of the late Huntley and Mae (Cameron) Cameron.

She was employed with Maritime Paper Products for 43 years, retiring in 2000. Rose enjoyed gardening, games and spending time at the trailer. Rose was the last surviving member of her immediate family.

Left with many fond and loving memories is her husband of 54 years Clarke A. Rafuse.

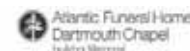
Predeceased by her sisters Flora Cameron, Jean Cameron in infancy, Diane MacKay, Kathleen Mattatall, Esther French, Margaret Boyer and brother Bert.

Special thank you to the staff of floor 8.2 at the Halifax Infirmary for the love, care and support shown to Rose and Clarke during the last 2 weeks. Visitation will be held at the Atlantic Funeral Home, Dartmouth Chapel on Sunday, November 1, 2015 from 2-4pm and 7-9pm. Funeral service will be held at the Atlantic Funeral Home, Dartmouth Chapel on Monday, November 2, 2015 at 10am with Rev. James Haughn officiating. Burial will follow in Glen Bard Cemetery, James River.

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Rose made to the NS Diabetic Association, NS Heart & Stroke Foundation or to a charity of the donor's choice would be appreciated by her family.

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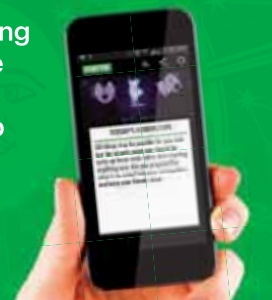
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Heat is on for Mets rookie

WORLD SERIES

N.Y. counting on Syndergaard to help cut into K.C.'s 2-0 lead

The man-child on the mound was simply getting some work in, two simulated innings to keep sharp for the World Series.

It was late afternoon at Kauffman Stadium, dimmed by dark clouds on this overcast day in Kansas City, and even his New York Mets teammates wanted no part of six-foot-six Noah Syndergaard.

David Wright bounded into the batting cage, watched a few fastballs whizz by like pellets fired from a BB gun, and stepped right back out.

"How are you supposed to hit that?" he asked buddy Michael Cuddyer.

A chuckling group of Mets marvelled at Syndergaard's sizzling cheese the day before the Series opener — but now



Noah Syndergaard racked up 166 strikeouts in 150 innings during the regular season. MATT SLOCUM/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

they've placed the heat squarely on their rookie starter. With the National League champs trailing 2-0 in the best-of-seven set, the 23-year-old thunderbolt aptly nicknamed Thor pitches Friday night against Royals right-hander Yordano Ventura.

And the Mets know perfectly well they can't afford to lose.

"I feel like being able to watch the past two games

has really helped me out and helped me devise a game plan," Syndergaard said.

Syndergaard's fastball averaged 97.1 m.p.h. during the regular season, the highest velocity of any major leaguer who pitched at least 150 innings, according to STATS.

The 24-year-old Ventura ranked third at 96.3 m.p.h.

In the NL playoffs, Synder-

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He's a very fast learner. He has no fear.

Mets manager Terry Collins

gaard threw 22 pitches at least 100 m.p.h. and topped out at 101, STATS said.

Ventura can touch the century mark, too.

But while Syndergaard certainly brings it, so do Mets aces Matt Harvey and Jacob deGrom. And despite their 95-98 m.p.h. fastballs, neither one was able to throttle a Royals lineup that's mastered the lost art of consistently making solid contact.

Alex Gordon hit a tying homer in the ninth inning of Game 1 on a 97 m.p.h. quick-pitch from New York closer Jeurys Familia.

"We're always ready for the fastball," Gordon explained. "Never miss a fastball and adjust to off-speed."

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IN BRIEF

Marlins hire Mattingly as their new manager

Don Mattingly was hired as manager of the Miami Marlins less than a week after he parted with the Los Angeles Dodgers, two people familiar with the situation said Thursday.

Mattingly went 446-363

in five years with the Dodgers.

The injury-riddled Marlins finished 71-91, their sixth consecutive losing season.

Later Thursday, general manager Dan Jennings was fired by the Marlins, ending a 13-year association.

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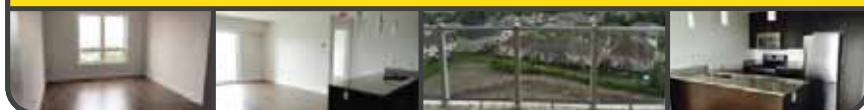


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- 2 cups boiled diced sweet potato (about 1 large potato)
- 2 whole eggs, 2 egg whites
- 2 Tbsp milk
- 1 tspn fresh, chopped parsley

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 400 F.
2. In an ovenproof skillet, melt butter over medium heat. Add onions and cook until soft, about 5 minutes. Add garlic and kale and cook until garlic fragrant and kale wilted.
3. Add potatoes and soften, about 3 to 5 minutes.
4. Meanwhile, whisk eggs, whites and milk. Pour egg mixture over potatoes and kale, and cook on stovetop another 3 minutes. Sprinkle with parsley.
5. Transfer skillet to oven and bake about 6 to 8 minutes or until eggs are set.

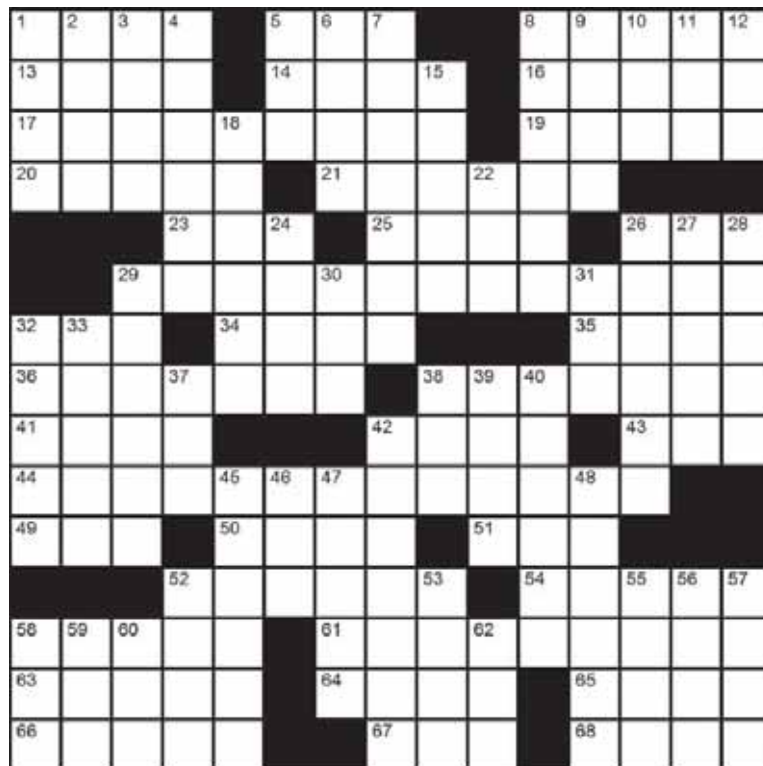
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1. Computer network signal
5. Roman Numeral for 905
8. Apparition in the attic
13. Prayer sign-off
14. Pea: French
16. "I, Frankenstein" (2014) star Mr. Eckhart
17. Grave marker
19. Surnamesakes of Paul of "Halloween: The Curse of Michael Myers" (1995)
20. Peel off the paint
21. Scan the webpage
23. Vancouver-born actor Mr. Bellows of 2012 horror "House at the End of the Street"
25. Ornamental case
26. Ms. West
29. Sci-Fi horror of 1978 starring Donald Sutherland, "Invasion of the ___"
32. Swiss river, variantly
34. QED's 'E'
35. Discharge
36. Schedule
38. Shiver from fright
41. Dr. Frankenstein's pal
42. Mr. Astin of 2007 thriller "Borderland"
43. 'Baron' suffix
44. Halloween decoration creator, perhaps: 2 wds.
49. poet Mr. Cummings'
50. Hair removal brand
51. German article
52. Facade
54. Frightening/supernatural
58. Insipid
61. Witch's brew pots



DOWN

1. Crying sounds
2. "___ a traveller from an antique land..." - Percy Bysshe Shelley, Ozymandias
3. Horror movie emotion
4. Deep blue
5. Mil. rank
6. Heard in herds
7. "House on Haunted Hill" (1959) star Mr. Price
8. It repels vampires
9. Transport stuff
10. Sequence, for short
11. Lay grass

12. Heavy wts.
15. Mattress brand
18. Creepy crawler
22. "Leavel"
24. Vega constellation
26. Club's one-of-some
27. Botanical castings
28. Rob of 2011 mysterious TV movie "The Edge of the Garden"
29. Accessories with witches costumes
30. "Dead Calm" (1989) star Mr. Neill
31. Pants part
32. Smoke ___ (Emulate Sherlock Holmes)
33. Fight
37. Association, variantly [abbr.]
38. Coffee alternative
39. Scarce
40. Begrudged
42. Shrieks
45. Solemn bell sounds
46. ___ McKellen, star of 1983 frightful flick "The Keep"
47. The actress at #64-Across, to Julia
48. Power
52. Egotistical
53. Cut of beef
55. Part
56. ___ to one's neck
57. Approximations [abbr.]
58. "Phooey!"
59. Blood-typing letters
60. ___easter
62. Set down

★ IT'S ALL IN THE STARS by Sally Brompton

Aries March 21 - April 20
You will get the chance to make a breakthrough. However, you must be aware of your limits and you must not push yourself too hard. You don't have to work 24/7 to be a success.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
Partners and colleagues may have the upper hand but that does not mean you are powerless. The planets suggest that if you believe in yourself you can make things happen.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
You have done wrong but won't be punished for it — provided you admit your mistake. According to the planets your latest transgression is too big to ignore but still small enough to be forgiven.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
Get out and about and have a good time. You will find it easy to meet new people and make new friends and, through them, to attract new opportunities. The more you socialize the more you will accomplish.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
Spend money on yourself. You are entitled to enjoy what you've earned. Be the one who benefits, not those who like to sponge off you.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Don't try to get approval for what you are planning — you will make more of an impression if you just get on and do it. Strike out in a new direction — chances are you won't be travelling alone for long.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
This will be a rather quiet time by your standards but that's good. You have a lot to think about. The more you reflect upon your goals now the more likely it is you will reach them.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
You may be willing to make sacrifices above and beyond the call of duty but you can't do it all on your own. There are lots of people who think like you and share your vision — join forces with them.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
You will deal well with challenges today. According to the planets you are determined to prove that you have what it takes to succeed — prove it to the world and yourself as well.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
You are in no mood to let others dictate what you can and cannot think, and that's good, but remember that it works both ways: others are entitled to their opinions too.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
What you're offered may be tempting but are the likely returns worth the time and the energy you will have to put in? If the answer is in doubt it might be wise to pass up the offer.

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20
You will be amazingly confident today, thanks to the Sun's link with your ruling planet Neptune. There is nothing you cannot accomplish if you believe in yourself. Romantically, too, this is a time for taking chances.

CONCEPTIS SUDOKU by Dave Green

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